



Winter 2015

Attention County Solid Waste Convenience Center Users: **County Adopts New Solid Waste and Recycling Ordinance**

- 24 punch permits have been replaced with 6 and 12 punch permits. Separate commercial permits have been eliminated. Small commercial solid waste generators (less than 15 cubic yards per load) may use the 6 and 12 punch permits. Permits no longer expire.
 - Loads up to 5 cubic yards require one punch on the permit. Loads between 5 and 10 cubic yards: 2 punches. 10-15 cubic yards: 3 punches. Loads larger than 15 cubic yards are not accepted at County Convenience Centers.
 - **Recycling is Now Required!** - All recyclable material accepted at Convenience Center is required to be placed in the appropriate recycling bin. Placing recyclables in with refuse (garbage) is a violation of County Ordinance. The County maintains, and periodically updates, a list of recyclable materials accepted at County Convenience Centers. Ask Convenience Center staff for the list of accepted recyclable materials or visit the County's web site at: www.santafecountynm.gov Click on "Solid Waste and Recycling Information" under "Services". The Recyclables List is also on the back of this notice. Note that recycling at all Convenience Centers is free and does not require a permit.
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In November 2014, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Ordinance #2014-10 – completely revising the County's solid waste and recycling requirements at County Convenience Centers. In addition to establishing a new permit fee structure and other solid waste requirements, the ordinance is designed to "promote, to the greatest extent possible, waste reduction and the reuse and recycling of materials to further resource conservation and minimize landfill disposal." The Commission, therefore, made recycling mandatory at Convenience Centers. The County respectfully urges your cooperation in complying with this new recycling requirement. With some simple sorting of recycling materials at your home, recycling at County Convenience Centers can be as easy as refuse disposal.

The County Public Works Department wants to make your use of Convenience Centers as safe, efficient and enjoyable as possible. Please feel free to contact us should you have ideas, concerns or other comments regarding Convenience Center operations.

For More Information: 992-3010, 992-3025 www.santafecountynm.gov Thank you!



Recyclable Materials List

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Per County Ordinance 2014-10, the following materials are required to be recycled at Convenience Centers:

Keep it Simple! Use 2 storage bins (or other container) at your home and flatten cardboard boxes.

“Mixed” Bin

- White and colored office paper
- Newspapers (& all inserts), magazines, catalogs, envelopes, junk mail
- Aluminum: empty cans, foil and pie pans
- Plastic: empty # 1 & 2 bottles, jugs, and jars (e.g. coffee containers) – look on bottom of container for recycling number
- Tin Cans: empty cans

Place in “Mixed Recyclables” bin at Convenience Center.

“Glass Only” Bin

- Glass bottles and jars of any color. Remove lids.

Place in “Glass Only” bin at Convenience Center.



Corrugated Cardboard (wavy layer in middle):

- Flatten. Cardboard does not need to be bundled or tied together. Discard packing peanuts. Brown paper bags can be placed with cardboard.

Place in “Cardboard” bin at Convenience Center.

NO! The following items are currently not recyclable and should not be placed in Convenience Center recycling bins.

- Plastic: bags, #3-#7 plastic (tubs, to-go containers, yogurt containers), motor oil containers
- Cereal, soda and pizza boxes, paper towels
- Light bulbs, window or auto glass, Pyrex, drinking glasses, ceramics
- Containers used for paint or flammable or hazardous materials

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Thank you for recycling in Santa Fe County!